

& pat he be fadir of circucision / not
 onli to hem pat ben of circucisi-
 on: but also to hem pat haue pe
 deppis. of pe fery / which fery is
 in spucie of our fadir abraham
 for not bi pe lawe. is biheete to
 abraham or to his seed. y^e he shul-
 de be eyr of pe world. but bi pe
 ryztyfnesse of fery / for if pei
 pat ben of pe lawe. ben epris.
 fery is distryped. biheete is don a-
 wey / for pe lawe worchp wra-
 ype / for where is no lawe pei is
 no trespas: ney is trespassing.
 y^efore ryztyfnesse is of pe fery.
 y^e bi grace biheete be stabe to
 ech seed / not to pat seed onli pat
 is of pe lawe: but to pat pat is
 of pe fery of abraham / which is fa-
 dir of us alle: as it is wrytyn / for
 y^e haue sett yee fadir of many fol-
 kis bifoze god: to whom pon haft
 bileued / which god quykene-
 ded me: & clepy po yigis pat be
 not as po pat ben / which abraham
 agens hope. bileuede into hope.
 y^e he shulde be mard fadir of ma-
 ny folkis. as it was seid to hym
 yus shal y^e seed be. as pe steris
 of heuene: & as ye granel pat
 is in ye bynke of ye see / & he
 was not mard vntylde fast in ye
 bileue: ney he biheelde his body
 pane myz deed. whane he was
 almost of an hundred zeer. ne ye
 wombe of sare myz deed / also in
 ye biheete of god. he don'tide not
 wry vntylt: but he was confor-
 tid in bileue. zynnyge glorie to
 god: wrytge moost fully. y^e wht
 eu yigis god hay bihzt: he is myz
 ti also to do / verfoze it was aret-
 tid to hi to ryztyfnesse / & it is

uot wrytyn onely for hi. y^e it was
 arettid to hi to ryztyfnesse: but
 also for us to whiche it shal be
 arettid. pat bileue in hi pat res-
 tite our lord ihu crist fro deap / whi-
 ch was bitakn for our synes: &
 rool aen for our vntylfynge.
Verfoze we nist / **C. viii.**
 fied of fery: haue we pees
 at god bi our lord ihu crist / bi
 whom we han myz goyng to.
 by fery into yis grace. in which
 we stonden & han glorie in ye hope
 of ye glorie of godis children: &
 not yis onli: but also we glori-
 en in tribulacioun / wrytge y^e
 tribulacioun worchp patience
 & patience pryncing / & pryncing hope
 & hope cofoundyng not / for ye chari-
 te of god is lpyed abrood i our her-
 tis by ye hooly goft pat is zoun-
 to us / and whyle y^e we were syke
 after ye tyme: wher dyde crist for
 wickid me / for vneyis dypen our ma-
 for ye nist man / & it for a good ma-
 pauente li ma dar dpe: but god
 comedy his charite in vs / for if whi-
 ne we were yt syners: after ye
 tyme crist was ded for vs pane
 moche more now we nistfyed i his
 blood shulen be saaf fro wyaype
 by hy / for if whane whane we
 weren enemyes: we ben recon-
 celid to god bi ye deap of his sone /
 myche more we reconcelid: shu-
 len be saaf in ye lyf of hi / & not
 onli yis: but also we glorien
 in god. by our lord ihu crist: by
 who we han resleyued now re-
 concelis / y^efore as by o ma synen
 tride into yis world. & by synen deap
 & so deap passid for y^e to alle me:
 in which ma alle me synen for til